

Executive decision taken by Leader/Cabinet portfolio holder



Decision taken by:

Cllr Zoe Nicholson, Leader, LDC

Date of decision:

26 July 2021

Subject of report:

This is Newhaven – the Newhaven Town Deal

Exempt matter (if any as given under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972):

No

Key decision:

No

Open summary of decision made:

(1) To note the Town Deal offer of £19.3million from Government.

(2) To delegate authority to the Chief Executive to agree, on behalf of Lewes District Council, the Heads of Terms with Government, as set out in Appendix 1, to enable the Newhaven Town Deal to be progressed.

In accordance with section 17 of the Council's Policy and Performance Advisory Committee Procedure Rules, the call-in procedure shall not apply to this decision given its urgency. A decision is urgent if, in the view of the decision maker, any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would, for example, seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests.

In accordance with this section, it is the opinion of the decision maker that this decision is an urgent one and therefore exempt from call-in.

Reason(s) for decision:

- (1) The Council has received a provisional offer of £19.3million for the Newhaven Town Deal.
- (2) The Council must agree Heads of Terms for the Town Deal before 5 August 2021 to enable the bid to progress to the next stage.
- (3) Newhaven remains a regeneration priority for the Council, building upon Enterprise Zone designation and investment from a range of partners, and the formation of the Newhaven Town Deal Board.

Alternative options considered:

N/A – the projects included within the Town Investment Plan have been agreed through a process undertaken with the Newhaven Town Deal Board, comprising a range of stakeholders.

Was an executive councillor(s) consulted before decision was taken? If so, what was the result of this consultation?

Yes, Cllr MacCleary has been consulted and is in agreement with the recommendations contained within this report.

Does the proposal involve any unplanned expenditure? If so, please confirm that you have consulted with the Chief Finance officer and include the date of consultation

No.

Date of consultation: N/A

Signed:

Councillor Zoe Nicholson, Leader of the Council

Leader